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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK FOR ARIZONA



# U. S. DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE \* SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

Collaborating with

SALT RIVER VALLEY WATER USERS ASSOCIATION and

ARIZONA AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

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### TO RECIPIENTS OF WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK REPORTS:

Most of the usable water in western states originates as mountain snowfall. This snowfall accumulates during the winter and spring, several months before the snow melts and appears as streamflow. Since the runoff from precipitation as snow is delayed, estimates of snowmelt runoff can be made well in advance of its occurrence. Streamflow forecasts published in this report are based principally on measurement of the water equivalent of the mountain snowpack.

Forecasts become more accurate as more of the data affecting runoff are measured. All forecasts assume that climatic factors during the remainder of the snow accumulation and melt season will interact with a resultant average effect on runoff. Early season forecasts are therefore subject to a greater change than those made on later dates.

The snow course measurement is obtained by sampling snow depth and water equivalent at surveyed and marked locations in mountain areas. A total of about ten samples are taken at each location. The average of these are reported as snow depth and water equivalent. These measurements are repeated in the same location near the same dates each year.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly from January 1 through June 1 in most states. There are about 1900 snow courses in Western United States and in the Columbia Basin in British Columbia. Networks of automatic snow water equivalent and related data sensing devices, along with radio telemetry are expanding and will provide a continuous record of snow water and other parameters at key locations.

Detailed data on snow course and soil moisture measurements are presented in state and local reports. Other data on reservoir storage, summaries of precipitation, current streamflow, and soil moisture conditions at valley elevations are also included. The report for Western United States presents a broad picture of water supply outlook conditions, including selected streamflow forecasts, summary of snow accumulation to date, and storage in larger reservoirs.

Snow survey and soil moisture data for the period of record are published by the Soil Conservation Service by states about every five years. Data for the current year is summarized in a West-wide basic data summary and published about October 1 of each year.

Cover Photo: Snow Surveyors near Ship Creek, Alaska snow course.

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The Soil Conservation Service publishes reports following the principal snow survey dates from January 1 through June 1 in cooperation with state water administrators, agricultural experiment stations and others. Copies of the reports for Western United States and all state reports may be obtained from Soil Conservation Service, Western Regional Technical Service Center, Room 209, 511 N.W. Broadway, Portland, Oregon 97209.

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# ARIZONA WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK MARCH 15, 1974

Water supplies will be adequate in areas served by reservoir storage. Although snow cover varies from 41% to 97% of average, streamflow is predicted to be only 20% to 46% of average due to the dry soil moisture conditions. Water supplies will be short in the Safford and Duncan Valleys.

# SNOW COVER

A moderate storm crossed the state on March 8 and 9, increasing the snow-pack slightly at elevations above 9,000 feet. At the lower elevations, however, melt more than offset the precipitation.

Snow cover varies from slightly below average on the Salt and Verde Watersheds to less than half of average on the Gila. The extremely high temperatures from March 10 to 19 are reducing the snowpack rapidly.

The snow line is around 7,000 feet on the Verde and Salt Watersheds and 8,000 feet on the Gila. Depths of 2, 3, and 4 feet are typical at 9, 10, and 11,000 feet respectively on the San Francisco Peaks, the White Mountains, and the Gila Mountains. Snow cover along the "Rim" is still proportionately high, ranging from 6 inches in the area south of Heber to 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet at Baker Butte #2 and Promontory Butte.

# PRECIPITATION

Although variable, precipitation for the first half of March has been near normal on the major watersheds. Since November 1, however, precipitation ranges from 60% of average on the Gila to 85-90% on the Salt and Verde.

# SOIL MOISTURE

In areas where significant melt has occurred surface soils are quite wet, but at the higher elevations, where little melt has taken place, soils are still very dry. Much above average precipitation is necessary to produce normal runoff this season.

# RESERVOIR STORAGE

Although stored water is declining, all major reservoir systems still contain above average amounts of water due to carryover from last year. Stockwater supplies are low in most areas and small irrigation reservoirs are below average.

# STREAMFLOW AND WATER SUPPLY

Streamflow in most streams increased slightly by mid-month, but not nearly in proportion to the snowmelt. The Gila continued to decline, dropping below 100 cfs on March 7. A moderate warm storm in the next few weeks could cause significant increases in streamflow, but the present snowpack (with average precipitation) will result in much below average runoff. March through May streamflow is forecast to be 20% of average on the Gila, 25% on the Little Colorado, 39% on the Salt, and 46% on the Verde. This is only 5=10% of that received last year. By contrast, the Colorado River forecast of 7,572,000 acre-feet is 110% of average.

Adequate water supplies will be available this year on the major irrigation projects served by storage facilities, but considerable pumping will be required along the Upper Gila to augment the low river flow.



ABOUT MARCH [REAMFLOW FORECASTS 15, 1974 (		THIS YEAR	R	PAST RE	CORD	
NEARIN EON TOREGROTO 10, 1574	FORE	CAST	FORECAST	THOUSAND ACRE FEET		
BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT	Thousand Acre Feet	Percent of Average	PERIOD	Last Year	Average +	
SALT RIVER DRAINAGE						
Salt near Roosevelt	25 88	31 39	March Mar-May	306.5	81.9 224.6	
Tonto Creek near Roosevelt	3 5	20 <b>22</b>	March Mar-May	101.4 157.8	14.7 23.1	
Verde River above Horseshoe	<b>2</b> 3 53	38 46	March Mar-May	224.6 648.8	60.4 114.4	
Total Salt River Project	55 146	35 40	March Mar-May	632.5 1,816.2	157.0 362.1	
GILA RIVER DRAINAGE						
Gila River at Bylas	4	7	Mar=May	414.2	54.9	
Gila River near Gila	12	31	Mar=May	156.1	38.3	
Gila River near Solomon	7 17	15 19	March Mar-May	167.4 465.6	46.2 90.5	
Gila River near Virden	9	20	Mar-May	212.3	46 , 0	
Frisco River at Clifton	9	19	Mar-May	251.0	46,9	
Frisco River at Glenwood	3	15	Mar-May	137,2	20.6	
LITTLE COLORADO RIVER DRAINAGE						
Little Colo. River above Lyman Dam	2.4	25	Mar-June	50.8	9.8	
GRANITE CREEK DRAINAGE						
Granite Creek	. 5		Mar=May			
Willow Creek	.2	~	Mar-May		<b>a</b> es <b>a</b>	
MIMBRES RIVER DRAINAGE	1	20	20	7.0.0		
Mimbres River near Mimbres  COLORADO RIVER DRAINAGE	1	32	Mar=May	13,3	3.1	
Virgin River near Littlefield	35	81	Apr-June	208.3	43.2	
Colorado River Lake Powell Inflow (issued by SCS, Utah)	7572	110	Apr-July	C = 5	6,881	
Based on the 15-year period,	- 2	-			+ 1958-1972 p	



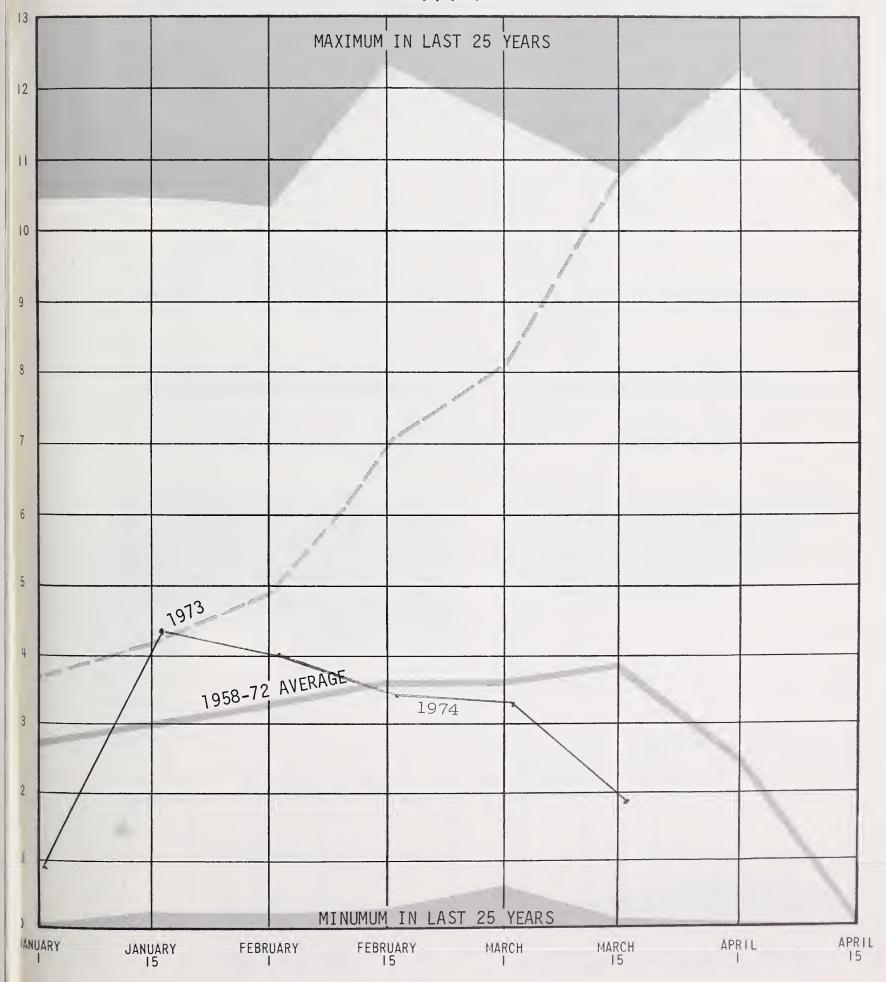
RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Feet) MID-MONTH READING ABOUT MARCH 15, 1974

BASIN or STREAM	RESERVOIR	Usable Capacity	This Year	Usable Storage  Last Year	Average
	-		Till's Teal	Last   car	Average
GILA RIVER DRAINAGE					
Agua Fria	Lake Pleasant	157.6	103.5	115.4	61.
Granite	Watson Lake	4.7	1.6	4.5	
Granite	Willow Creek	6.1	3.1	6.1	
Gila	San Carlos	948.6	571.8	563.9	194.
Salt (4)	Roosevelt, Apache, Canyon & Saguaro	1,755	1,419.5	1,564	1,12
Verde (2)	Bartlett & Horseshoe	317.7	77.8	294.8	151.
Salt and Verde	6 Salt River Project Reser- voirs	2,073	1,497.3	1,859	1,27
COLORADO RIVER DRAINAGE					
Colorado	Lake Havasu	619.4	561.1	564.8	543。
Colorado	Lake Mohave	1,810	1,670.9	1,752	1,71
Colorado	Lake Mead	26,159	19,746.	19,562	17,10
Colorado	Lake Powell	25,002	17,734.	12,282	
Little Colorado	Lyman	30.6	23.7	9.5	13.
Little Colorado	Show Low Lake	5.1	1.3	5.1	2.
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+ Based on 15-yea	ar period, 1958 <b>-</b> 72 less than 15 year	s of reco	·d		
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# AVERAGE SNOW COVER ARIZONA

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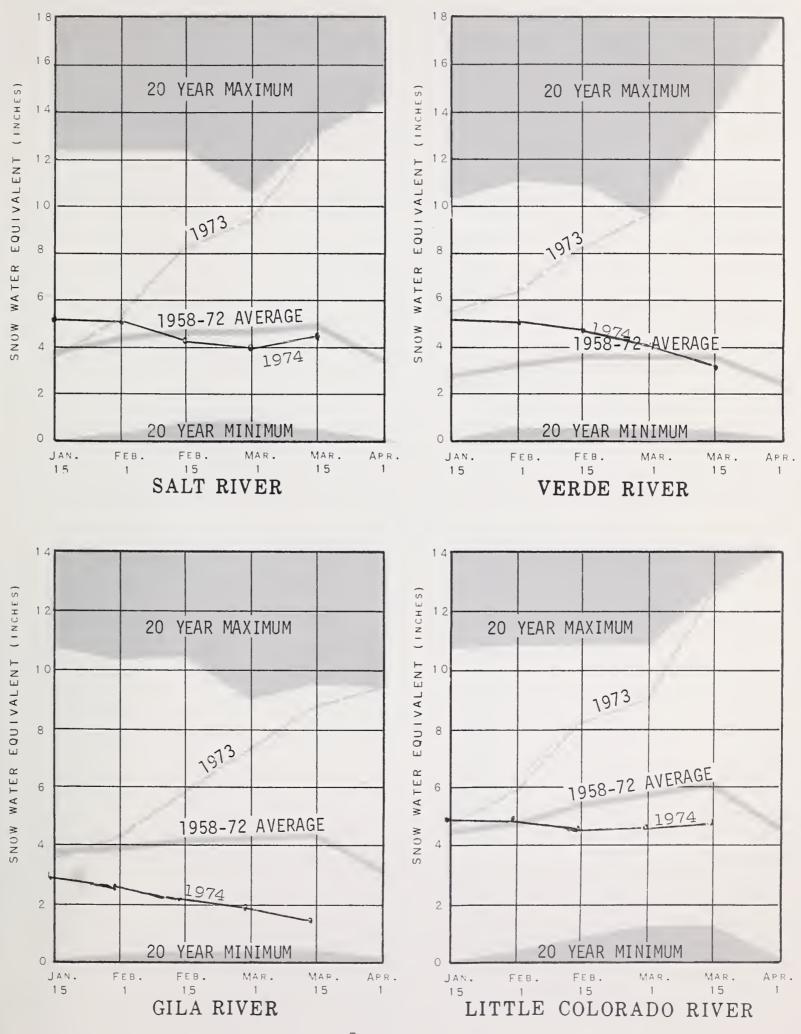


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This graph represents the average snow water content on eleven selected snow courses on Arizona Sub-Watersheds.



# 1974 WATERSHED SNOW COVER





SUMMARY OF SNOW MEASUREMENTS (COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

ABOUT MARCH 15, 1974

RIVER BASIN and/or SUB-WATERSHED	Number of Courses Averaged	THIS YEAR'S SNOW WATER AS PERCEN		
	Averaged	Last Year	Average	
Gila	10	19	41	
Salt	10	35	92	
Verde	10	26	97	
Little Colorado	5	42	85	
<b>-</b> 6	-			



# WATER SUPPLY INVENTORY

# SALT RIVER VALLEY SYSTEM

MARCH 15, 1974

IN ACRE-FEET

3,000,000

AVERAGE SUPPLY
ON MARCH 15

2,500,000

ANTICIPATED 1974 SUPPLY \*

2,000,000

Average Summer Runoff

Average Spring Runoff

1,500,000

1,000,000

Average Storage

500,000

Average Summer Runoff

Forecast Runoff (March 15-May)

Present Storage

Based on Present Storage + Forecast Spring Runoff + Average Summer Runoff



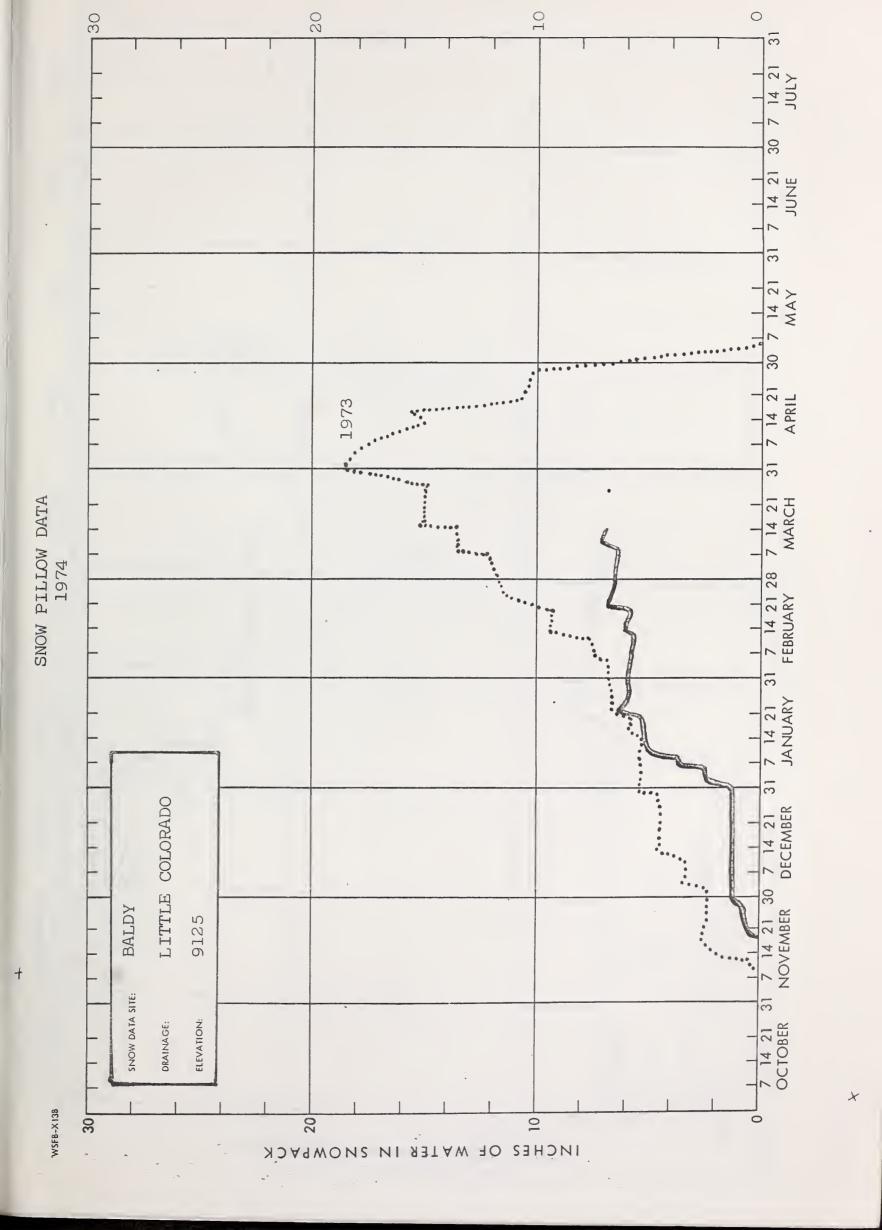
McKnight Cabin * (A) 1/ Mogollon Nutrioso Redstone Trail Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide	8100 8000 8000 7800 7800 8000 9090 10550 9300 7000 8500 8600	3/14 3/15 3/15 3/13 3/13 3/14 3/13 3/13 3/13	2 0 0 0 0 1 19 33	Water Content (Inches)  0 8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 6 7 10 9	7.7 6.8 8.2 0.9 3.6 6.8 19.3	5.0 2.8 2.2 0.3 0.7 2.4 8.9
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Emory Pass #2 * Frisco Divide Hannagan Meadows * Hummingbird (A) 1/ McKnight Cabin * (A) 1/ Mogollon Nutrioso Redstone Trail Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide	7800 8000 9090 10550 9300 7000 8500	3/13 3/14 3/15 3/13 3/13 3/14	0 1 19 33	0.0 0.2 6.7	3.6 6.8 19.3	0.7
Frisco Divide Hannagan Meadows * Hummingbird (A) 1/ McKnight Cabin * (A) 1/ Mogollon Nutrioso Redstone Trail Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide	8000 9090 10550 9300 7000 8500	3/14 3/15 3/13 3/13 3/14	1 19 33	0.2 6.7	6.8 19.3	2.4
Hannagan Meadows * Hummingbird (A) 1/ McKnight Cabin * (A) 1/ Mogollon Nutrioso Redstone Trail Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide	9090 10550 9300 7000 8500	3/15 3/13 3/13 3/14	19 33	6.7	19.3	
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Mogollon Nutrioso Redstone Trail Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide	7000 8500	3/14	1		26.9	16.3
Nutrioso Redstone Trail Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide	8500			0.5		2.5
Redstone Trail Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide			0	0.0	1.2	1.2
Rose Canyon Silver Creek Divide	8600	3/14	0	0.0	5.4	1.4
Silver Creek Divide		3/14	10	3.7	12.1	1
Silver Creek Divide	7300	3/14	0	0.0	1	7.4
	9000	3/14	18	5.8	6.0	2.0
State Line	8000	3/14	0		17.1	12.2
7.90		3/13		0.0	7,6	1.8
	L0750	2/12	48	13.0	28.8	20.3
/ Ground Measurements						
ERDE RIVER						
Baker Butte	7300	3/14	15	6.5	18.4	E 0
Baker Butte #2	7700	3/14	37	12.9		5.0
Camp Wood	5700	3/13	T		25.4	
Chalender *	7100	3/15	8	0.1	1.3	0.4
	6720	3/14		2.9	10.0	2.2
T			4	1.1	8.1	1.2
	7350	3/14	1	0.7	8.9	2.0
TT TO TO 3	7600	3/15	17	5.2	15.4	5.3
7 0 1	7630	3/14	5	1.6	15.6	2.6
361	6200	3/14	0	0.0	1.6	0.4
Mingus Mountain	7100	3/15	0	0.0	5.3	0.7
	7350	3/14	9	3.2	16.2	3.4
Mormon Mountain	7500	3/14	13	5.5	18.7	4.7
	6750	3/14	1	0.2	11.7	
Snow Bowl #1	0260	3/15	31	9.0	22.0	1.5
C	1000	3/15	47	13.3	35.2	9.9
T. 79 0 . T. T.	7150	3/15	4			18.0
2	6000	3/14	0	1.8	13.0	3.27
	3000	0/14	U	0.0	2.3	0.4
OWER COLORADO RIVER						
Bill Williams Int.	8550	3/15	29	9.7	22.9	8.07
	8950	3/15	37	11.4	27.0	11.1:
Bright Angel	8400		LAYE		19.4	*****
	7100	3/15	8	2.9	10.0	2.2
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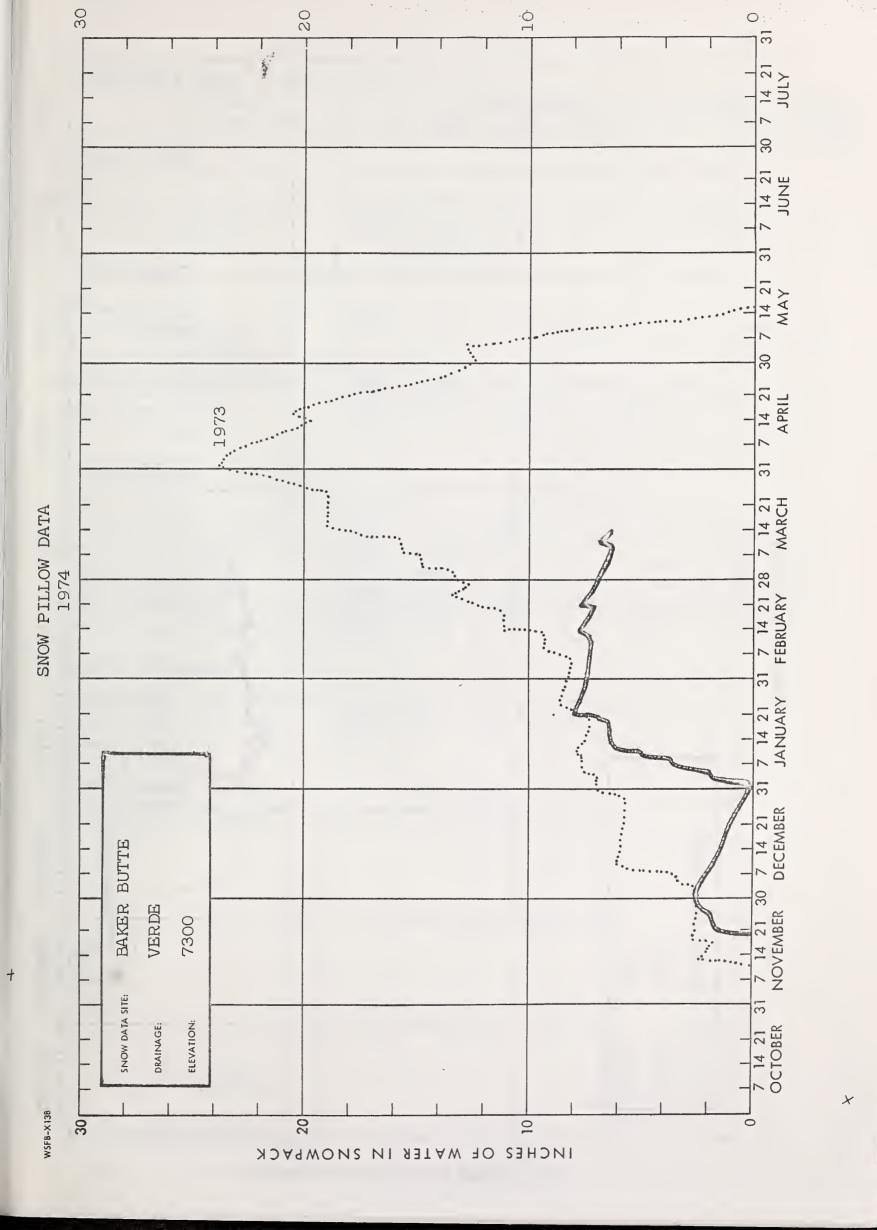


	MARCH 15, 1974  THIS YEAR  PAST RECO					
DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COUR		Date of Survey	Snow Depth (Inches)	Water Content (Inches)	Last Year	Average +
NAME	Elevation		l		Last fear	Average
SALT RIVER						
Baldy *	0105	2/7/	0.0	5 .		
Beaver Head	9125	3/14		7.4	14.8	7.5
	8000	3/15		0.0	6.8	2.8
Canyon Creek	7500	3/14		3.6	13.0	3.1
Canyon Point	7600	3/14		3.4	14.3	3.8
Coronado Trail	8000	3/15	0	0.0	8.2	2.2
Forest Dale	6430	3/14		0.0	3.9	0.4
Ft. Apache	9160	3/14	24	7.7	14.3	8.0
Hannagan Meadows	9090	3/15	19	6.7	19.3	8,9
Hawley Lake	8300	3/14	14	5.2	15.1	6.4
Heber	7600	3/14	1	2.7	14.3	3.3
Maverick Fork	9050	3/14		8.8	17.8	
McNary	7200	3/14	2	0.6	1	8.9
Milk Ranch	7000	3/14	0		8.8	2.0
Mt. Ord (A)	11000		FLIGHT	0.0	4.9	0.8
Nutrioso *					29.3	23.8
Smith Cienega (A)	8500	3/15	0	0.0	5.4	1.4
Sunrise Summit	9850		FLIGHT		25.3	17.7
	10600	3/13		14.7	22.6	
Wilson Lake	9000	3/13		10.0	18.4	11.47
Workman Creek	6900	3/13	10	4.1	20.1	4.9
Canyon Creek Canyon Point Cheese Springs Forest Dale Ft. Apache Fort Valley Happy Jack * Heber Inner Basin #1 Inner Basin #2 McNary Mormon Lake Mormon Mountain Nutrioso Snow Bowl #1 Snow Bowl #2 Wilson Lake	7500 7600 8600 6430 9160 7350 7630 7600 10100 9750 7200 7350 7500 8500 10260 11000 9000	3/14 3/13 3/14 3/14 3/14 3/14 3/14 3/14	8 21 0	3.6 3.4 6.3 0.0 7.7 0.7 1.6 2.7 0.6 3.2 5.5 0.0 9.0 13.3 10.0	13.0 14.3 11.3 3.9 14.3 8.9 15.6 14.3 8.8 16.2 18.7 5.4 22.0 35.2	3.1 3.8 8.7 0.4 8.0 2.6 3.3  2.0 3.4 4.7 1.4 9.9* 18.0*:
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+ 1958-1972 period.







PRECIPITATION (Inches) ABOUT MARCH 15, 1974

DRAINAGE BASIN and PRECIPITATION GAGE LOCATION	ELEVATION	Date of	Month's	ATION +	FROM AF	Average +	Percent of
		Reading	Precipitation				Average
GILA RIVER							
Silver Creek Divide	9000	3/14	1.10	1.20*	7.50	13.02*	58
Hannagan Meadows **	9030	3/15	1.06	1.10	E .	11.69	81
Frisco Divide **	8000	3/14	,85		4.98		<b></b>
SALT RIVER							
Canyon Point	7600	3/14	1.58	1.83*	35.00	15 224	100
Hannagan Meadows **	9030	3/15	1.06	1.10	15.30 9,52	11.69	100
Little Wildcat					3,00		01
(Heber Snow Course)	7600	3/14	1.57	1,48	12.69	12.98	98
Maverick Fork	9050	3/14	1.30	1.12	i .	11.14	100
Workman Creek ** Wilson Lake	6970	3/13	.98	1.50	11.65		74
WIISON Lake	9100	3/13	.70	1.25*	9.30	11.74*	79
VERDE RIVER							
Baker Butte	7300	3/14	1.42	1.68*	13.56	15.63*	87
Copper Basin Divide	6720	3/14	1.95	1.21*	1	0.30*	89
Fort Valley **	7350	3/14	.73	1.03	6.06	8,05	75
Happy Jack **	7480	3/14	.86	1.13	1	10,24	87
Mingus Mountain Mormon Mountain	7660 7500	3/15 3/14	1.40	1.06		8.93	93
White Horse Lake Jct.**	7150	3/14	1.90	1.51*	12.63	4.66*	86
LITTLE COLORADO					9.07		
Inner Basin #1							
Inner Basin #2	9830			1.50		14.34	
Greer Lakes	8500			1.74* .58		16.41*	
Little Wildcat	0000			. 50		6.55	
(Heber Snow Course)	7600	3/14	1.57	1.48	12,69	2.98	98
Sheep Crossing		0 / -					J <b>Q</b>
(Baldy Snow Course)	9125	3/14	1.30	1.11	10.42	0.78	97
† 1958-72 Average * Adjusted Average							
** Data Supplied by							
U.S. Forest Service			<b>-</b> 14 <b>-</b>				
			14 -				958-1972 per

# PRECIPITATION AT SELECTED ARIZONA STATIONS 1/

	Precipitation (Inches)							
STATION	MONTH:	PERIOD:						
	February	November through February						
Alpine	. 03	2.80						
Ash Fork	T	1.60						
Clifton	.10	1.55						
Douglas	0	1,36						
Flagstaff WSO*	.26	5.91						
McNary	<sub>e</sub> 61	9,28						
Payson Ranger Station	.37	5,38						
Phoenix WSFO **	.02	1.95						
Prescott (City)	.14	3.23						
Springerville	T	.20						
Tucson WSO*	T	1,93						
Winslow WSO*	۵3 «	1,80						
Yuma WSO*	0	.69						

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SOIL MOISTURE ABOUT MARCH 15, 1974

DRAINAGE BASIN and/or STATION		Profile (Inches)		Date of	Soil Moisture (Inches)		
Name	Elevation	Depth	Capacity	Survey	This Year	Last Year	Average
GILA RIVER					-		
Frisco Divide	8000	48	13.3	3/14	8.0	14.6	10.9
SALT RIVER							
Black River Divide	9100	48	16.8	3/14	14.8	17.9	16.6
Canyon Creek	7500	48	18.3	3/14	17.5	17.2	16.0
Corduroy Creek	6000	36	13.5	3/14	7,3	14.0	10.2
McNary	7200	48	16.3	3/13	13.9	17.9	15.4
VERDE RIVER							
Mormon Mountain	7500	48	16.1	3/14	14.0	17.9	16.4
Newman Park	6750	48	17.7	3/14	16.5	19.5	18.5
1958-72 15-year average							10 to
							58-1972 period



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# INDEX to SNOW COURSES and SOIL MOISTURE STATIONS

NUMBER	NAME	SEC.		RGE.	ELEV.	DRAINAGE		RECORD BEGAN
		32	23N	7E	11200			
11P10A 11R7 11R6PSP 9S1APSP 9S15 9S16 10T1 9S6 12P5 12P4 9S10m 12N1	Agassiz  Baker Butte #2 Baker Butte Baldy Baldy #2 Baldy #3 Bear Wallow Beaver Head Bill Williams Intermediate Bill Williams Summit Black River Divide Bright Angel	9 4 28 12 13 6 13 17 17 10 34	12N 12N 7N 6N 6N 12S 4N 21N 21N 6N 33N	9E 9E 27E 26E 26E 16E 30E 2E 2F 27E 3E	7700 7300 9125 9750 10950 8100 8000 8550 8950 9400 8400	Verde Verde Verde Little Colorado Little Colorado Little Colorado Gila San Francisco Cataract Verde Salt Bright Angel Creek	SCS-C.F.*  SCS SCS SCS SCS SCS FS	1968 1971 1966 1950 1963 1963 1948 1938 1967 1967 1967
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11P11a	Doyle Saddle	4	22N	7E	10900	Little Colorado	SCS	1968
7T1	Emory Pass #1	16	16S	9W**	7800	Mimbres	SC S	1967
7T2	Emory Pass #2	16	16S		7800	Mimbres	SC S	1967
10R6	Forest Dale	2	9N	21E	6430	Salt	BIA	1939
9R5	Ft. Apache	18	7N	27E	9160	Little Colorado	SCS	1951
11P2P	Ft. Valley	22	22N	6E	7350	Little Colorado	FS	1947
8S1MP	Frisco Divide	31	6S	20W**	8000	San Francisco	FS	1938
12R4	Gaddes Canyon	11	75N	2E	7600	Verde	SCS	1954
11P1	Grand Canyon	21	30N	4E	7500	Hance Creek	NPS	1947
9S11P	Hannagan Meadows	19	3N	29E	9090	San Francisco	FS	1964
11R5P	Happy Jack	30	16N	9E	7630	Verde	FS	1951
9R10	Hawley Lake	13	7N	24E	8300	Salt	BIA	1966
10R4PSP	Heber	28	11N	15E	7600	Little Colorado	SCS	1950
9T1A	High Peak	34	8S	24E	10500	Gila	FS	1963
8S9A	Hummingbird	19	11S	17W**	10550	Gila	SCS	1964
11P9P	Inner Basin #1	28	23N	7E	10000	Little Colorado	C.F.*	1967
11P8P	Inner Basin #2	28	23N	7E	9750	Little Colorado	C.F.*	1967
12R2	Iron Springs	22	14N	3W	6200	Bill Williams	SCS	1946
9S2APSP 7S3A 9R2M 9R1 12R3 8S2 11R4 11R3MAPSP 9S12A	Maverick Fork McKnight Cabin McNary Milk Ranch Mingus Mountain Mogollon Mormon Lake Mormon Mountain Mt. Ord	13 10 23 33 3 2 13 14 4	6N 15S 8N 8N 15N 11S 18N 18N 6N	27E 10W** 23E 23E 2E 19W** 8E 8E 26E	9150 9300 7200 7000 7100 7000 7350 7500 11200	Salt Mimbres Salt Salt Verde San Francisco Little Colorado Verde Salt	SCS SCS BIA BIA SCS SCS SCS SCS SCS	1950 1967 1939 1941 1947 1953 1947 1950 1966
11P5M	Newman Park	25	19N	6E	6750	Verde	SCS	1963
9S4	Nutrioso	23	6N	30E	8500	San Francisco	FS	1938
11R10	Promontory Butte	5	11N	13E	7930	Little Colorado	SCS	1973
8S7	Redstone Trail	5	11S	18W**	8600	San Francisco	SCS	1961
10T2	Rose Canyon	15	12S	16E	7300	Gila	FS	1948
8S8P	Silver Creek Divide	4	11S	18W**	9000	San Francisco	SCS	1964
9S14A	Smith Cienega	10	6N	26E	10050	Salt	SRP-SCS	1966
11P4	Snow Bowl #1	36	23N	6E	10260	Verde	FS	1961
11P6	Snow Bowl #2	31	23N	7E	11000	Verde	FS	1965
9S8	State Line	6	6S	21W**	8000	San Francisco	FS	1938
9S17	Sunrise Summit	36	7N	26E	10600	Salt	SCS	1972
12P2P	White Horse Lake Jct.	2	20N	2E	7180	Verde	FS	1967
12R5	White Spar	19	13N	2W	6000	Verde	SCS	1963
8S10A	Whitewater	19	11S	17W**	10750	Gila	SCS	1964
12P3	Williams Ski Run	9	21N	2E	7720	Cataract	FS	1967
9R6P	Wilson Lake	4	7N	26E	9000	Salt	SCS	1966
10S1P	Workman Creek	33	6N	14E	6900	Salt	FS	1952

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